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1. The Rumanian crude oil production has recently increased following the successful drillings to a depth of 1200 - 1700 meters. The newly developed oil fields in the Moinesti region are yielding about 190 carloads daily. The Steaua Romana oil refinery located in this area will have a new cracking plant. The drillings in the Boldesti region about 20 kilometers from Ploesti have shown promising results. Sovrompetrol controls the entire oil production, procures equipment and brings in specialists from the USSR.

2. Electric drills are now replacing steam drills in the Prahova oil fields. Production has thus increased and the costs have been lowered.

3. The 1 May factory in Ploesti has started producing oscillating pressure roller bearings for hydraulic heads of 150 tons for use in the oil industry.

4. The Sovrom Metal factory has for the first time produced a steam turbine with a 3,000 kilowatt output at 3,000 rpm. The steam temperature is 400 degrees Centigrade and the pressure 32 atmospheres.

5. Of the five Siemens - Martin furnaces envisaged under the five-year plan, one has been completed at the Progresul Metal factory in Braila and is now in operation.

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